

#### DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY OFFICE OF THE SURGEON GENERAL 5109 LEESBURG PIKE FALLS CHURCH, VA 22041-3258

REPLY TO

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## MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: EA / TSG / DSG Authority for Governing the Tri-service Regional Logistics Support Program (RLSP), FY 04

- 1. This memorandum establishes the initial operational alignment for the Tri-service RLSP under the newly established Regional Contract Structure for Health Care/Administration known as the TRICARE Next Generation (T-NEX).
- 2. The promotion of regional logistics business processes through the RLSP provided the Military Health System (MHS) significant savings through annual cost avoidance of \$3.04M in FY00, \$7.348M in FY01, \$9.258M in FY02, and \$9M projected in FY03. The Services achieved these results through strong support of the program, and collaboration in seeking opportunities to standardize products and mandate compliance to agreements with commercial partners. We must appropriately align this important program with the emerging framework of governance as the MHS migrates to the T-NEX.
- 3. The RLSP was initially organized under the framework of TRICARE regions with Tri-service Regional Business Offices (TRBOs) operating under the oversight of regional Lead Agents. The T-NEX establishes Senior Multi-service Market Managers (MSMMs), which we will adopt as the governing authorities for the RLSP. We will continue to implement regional materiel standardization initiatives and incentive agreements with industry through the existing regional framework of the DoD Medical Prime Vendor Program, with an MSMM designated to provide program management within each Prime Vendor region. The initial alignment of TRBOs with the MSMMs designated to provide RLSP oversight is at enclosure 1.
- 4. The Office of the Army Surgeon General is the Executive Agency for this program with implementation directed through each Service's Deputy Surgeon General (see enclosure 2). The Army Surgeon General's primary point of contact is the Director of Logistics, (703) 681-8058.

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1. Memorandum, Implementation Guidance for RLSP, 5 July 2000

2. Designated Senior MSMMs

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## MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDERS, MILITARY HEALTHCARE SYSTEM

SUBJECT: Implementation Guidance for Regional Tri-Service Medical Logistics Support Program

- 1. The promotion of regional logistics business practices among the Services is emerging as a major opportunity for the Military Health Care System (MHS) to achieve significant savings and optimization of services. Product and practice standardization, led by clinical interests and supported by organizational leadership, is the norm in the most successful private sector healthcare organizations. Newly formed regional logistics programs created within the framework of Military TRICARE Regions clearly demonstrate the right approach to our business.
- 2. Available at address http://www.armymedicine.army.mil/medcom/dcslog/ is the newly updated implementation guidance. This new guidance represents intense collaboration between logistics and clinical professionals across the Services and documents the tremendous progress made in creating integrated regional medical logistics support operations.
- 3. It is imperative that all healthcare activities within the MHS support regional logistics efforts. Your support must include aggressive efforts to standardize and mandate compliance with regional price agreements. Clinical consensus and committed volume agreements will produce significant savings, and support the sustainment of military healthcare operations.

4. The Office of the Army Surgeon General is the Executive Agent for this program. The primary point of contact is Colonel Jonathan M. Kissane, Director of Logistics, (703)681-8058 (DSN 761) or Email [jonathan.kissane@amedd.army.mil].

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